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MORE PRIVATE AIRLINES ON DOMESTIC ROUTE
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether some more private airlines have sought approval from the Government to start operations in the domestic sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the present status of their proposals;

(c) whether entry of more airlines will adversely affect the market share of Indian Airlines; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a) & (b): Consideration of proposals from private airlines to start air operations is an ongoing process. At present 4 proposals to start scheduled operations, 10 proposals to start non-scheduled operations and 2 proposals to start non-scheduled air cargo operations by private airlines are under process in the Ministry.

(c) & (d): With the entry of more private airlines in the domestic sector, the capacity share of private airlines vis-a-vis Indian Airlines is likely to increase further, and consequently the market share as well. Some of these private airlines, however, propose to operate on feeder routes where Indian Airlines is not operating.